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On Sunday, March 7th though the 14th the Palms Residential Care Facility will celebrate, "The Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS". The Palms will partner with Holman United Methodist, West Angels Church of God in Christ, Holy Trinity of Long Beach and a number of other churches all over southern California.

Since 1989, The Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS has been an important catalyst for educating, empowering and mobilizing churches to provide AIDS education to their congregations and communities. The Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS is among the largest HIV/AIDS awareness programs targeting African communities.

Kevin Pickett and the Palms Residential Care Facility invites all congregations who have not yet joined this crusade for HIV/AIDS education, prevention, service and compassion to join us now! The worldwide AIDS pandemic continues to disproportionately affect African peoples around the country and around the world. In the US AIDS is the leading cause of death for African Americans ages 25-44 and currently AIDS is also the leading cause of death in many African countries, in Kenya, life expectancy has dropped due to AIDS from 63 to 45 years and is leaving orphaned children to fend for themselves in an environment increasingly empty of healthy adults.

THEREFORE. I MOVE THAT THE BOARD:

Proclaim the week of March 7th through March 14th, 2004 as "The Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS" and join in the celebration of the Palms Residential Care Facility and other congregations in the County to bring HIV/AIDS awareness to African American communities throughout the County of Los Angeles and encourage all citizens to participate in this educational week of events. # # #

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